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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on April 15, 2004, in which the three-month shortened statutory period for responding runs to July 15, 2004, reconsideration and allowance of the present application is respectfully requested in view of the following:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 6 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet of Fig. 1.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.